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June 15th, 2004

#### Proposed Non-motorized Trails in Rock Creek Area - South of Gates, Oregon

Dear Interested Party:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Salem District would like your comments on a proposed partnership with the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) for the construction of non-motorized trails in the Rock Creek Area approximately 35 miles east of Salem and two miles south of the City of Gates in Township 9 South, Range 2 East, Section 25, Willamette Meridian (see project vicinity map.

An Environmental Assessment (EA) is being completed for the construction of approximately one mile of trail with three different segments on BLM-administered lands. The trail segments on BLM-administered lands will connect into a non-motorized trail system proposed on ODF (see proposed trails map) lands. These trails will also connect into the existing road system in the area to help provide for year-round use. The trails will be open to non-motorized activities including equestrian, mountain biking, and hiking use. We would appreciate your questions, comments or concerns about the proposed action. Please attention written comments to Laura Graves and return to the address listed above by Friday, July 9th, 2004. If you would prefer to e-mail your comments, please send them to Laura Graves@blm.gov.

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the above address during regular business hours (7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the EA or related correspondence. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

Thank you for your interest and participation and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Laura Graves at (503) 315-5908 or Laura\_Graves@blm.gov.

Sincerely,

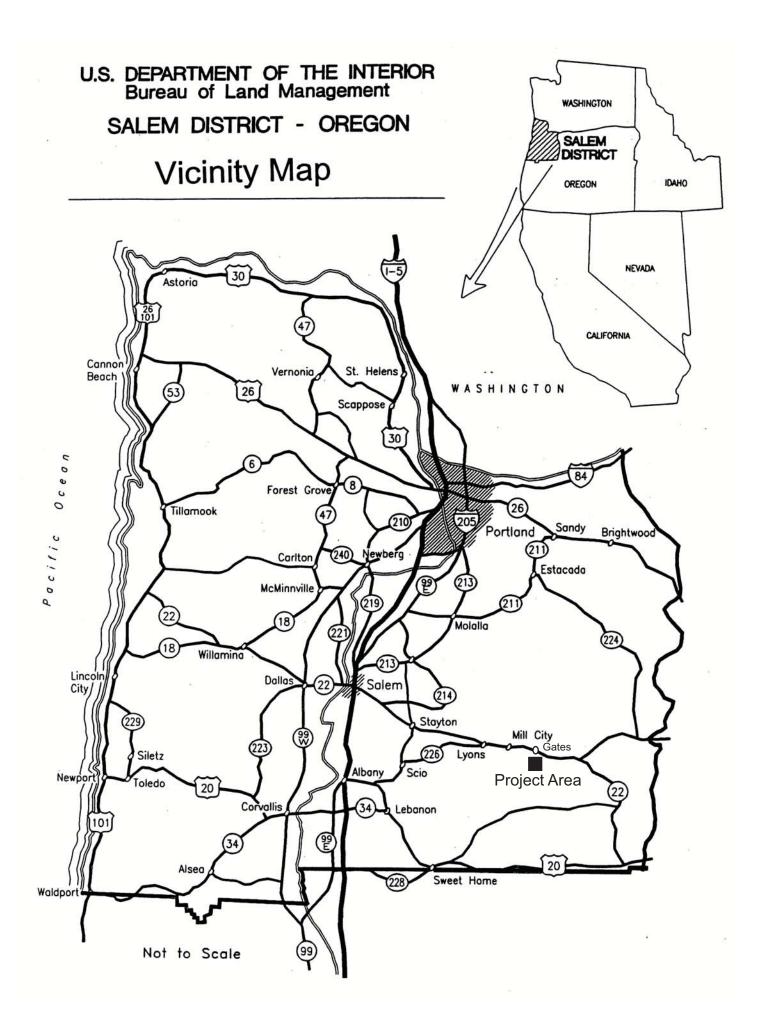
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Enclosures:

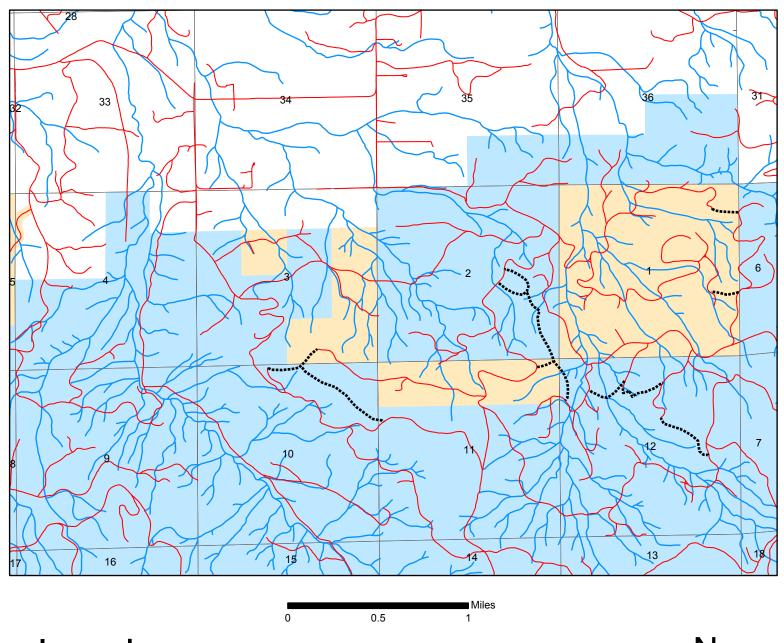
1- Project Vicinity Map

1- Rock Creek Proposed Trails Map

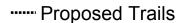


# **Rock Creek Proposed Trails Map**

## **Township 10 South, Range 3 East**



## Legend



— Roads

Streams

BLM

Oregon Department of Forestry

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